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MARYLAND WINTER WHEAT AND DELAWARE HAY STOCKS DOWN

ANNAPOLIS, MD – Maryland winter wheat production is forecast at 15.4 million bushels, down 12 percent from 2014, according to Dale P. Hawks, State Statistician of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Maryland and Delaware Field Offices. Based on conditions as of May 1, yields are expected to average 64.0 bushels per acre, down 6 bushels per acre from the 2014 average. Area harvested is forecast at 240 thousand acres, down 4 percent from 2014.

Maryland Hay: Hay stocks on farms totaled 70 thousand tons, down 75 percent from December 2014 but unchanged from May 2014.

Delaware Hay: Hay stocks on farms totaled 2 thousand tons, down 93 percent from December 2014 but unchanged from May 2014.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. The next production forecast will be issued June 10, 2015.

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